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From: Gartner, Lois
Sent: Fri 8/7/2015 3:14:19 PM
Subject: RE: EOC Daily Emergency Management Report 08-07-2015

Re: my earlier email regarding this issue...by "not ours" I meant the mine is not on the NPL

From: Woolford, James
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2015 10:34 AM
To: Gartner, Lois; Jeng, Richard; Stalcup, Dana; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Ammon, Doug
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See region 8 entry.

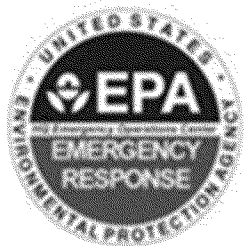
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Please excuse typos

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EOC Daily Emergency Management Report

Date: 08/07/2015

Time: 10:30 EDT

Report Number: 152-15

Alerts & Warnings

FEMA National Watch Center – Watch/Steady State (24/7)

National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) – No Current Alerts

Continuity of Operations (COOP) COGCON Level 4

EPA HQ EOC at Level 3 (Steady State/Routine Ops)

Regional REOCs are at Level 3 (Steady State/Routine Ops)

EPA Headquarters Activities

ASPECT (Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology) is deployed in support of the response to the Region 8 abandoned mine release into the Animas River in San Juan County, CO.

The **Portable High Throughput Integrated Laboratory Identification Systems** (PHILIS) located in Edison, NJ and in Castle Rock, CO are operational.

ERT TAGAs ERT TAGA (Edison, Las Vegas, & RTP); Mobile Command Post (Erlanger-Las Vegas); HazMat truck (Erlanger & Las Vegas); and ERT-Edison Mobile Lab 2 (Mobile Analytical Lab). Temporarily out of commission: ERT-Edison Mobile Lab 1 (TO-

15), for maintenance.

Significant National Weather

Severe Weather: Flash flooding is forecast over portions of the central Plains. Severe thunderstorms are possible for portions of the central Rockies, central Plains and Southeastern U.S with hail and damaging winds as the primary threats. Rain and thunderstorms are expected for most of the western and eastern portions of the U.S.

Tornado Weather: There is a 5-percent risk of tornado activity today across portions of Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. There is a 2-percent risk of tornado activity today across portions of South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming.

Critical Fire Weather: No Critical Fire Weather is forecast for today throughout the U.S.; however there is an Elevated threat in portions of California and Nevada.

Significant River Flooding: There is no significant river flooding expected during the next five days.

Earthquake Activity: No significant earthquake activity to report.

Tropical Weather: As of 5:00 a.m. EDT this morning, Tropical Depression Guillermo was located approximately 84 miles northeast of Oahu, Hawaii and moving toward the west at 14 miles per hour. Maximum sustained winds are 35 miles per hour, with additional weakening forecast this weekend. There are no watches or warnings in effect for this system

Report of Incident Notifications

OC Spot Report: Region 8, Abandoned Mine Release into Animas River; San Juan County, CO: At around 10:00 a.m. on August 5th, an EPA and Colorado State Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety team was working to investigate and address contamination at the abandoned Gold King Mine in San Juan County, CO. This work unexpectedly triggered a large release of mine wastewater into the upper portions of Cement Creek. Initial estimates indicate that the release is approximately one million gallons that was held behind unconsolidated debris near an abandoned mine portal. There were several workers at the site at the time of the breach and all were unharmed. The acidic mine water associated with this release contains high levels of sediment and

metals. EPA teams are conducting sampling and visual observations today and will be monitoring river conditions over the next several days. EPA recommends that recreational users of the Animas River avoid contact with or use of the river until the pulse of mine water passes.

There were 32 epaosc.org websites created and/or updated during this reporting period
08/06/15-08/07/15.

Exercises/Predeployments

No significant exercise or pre-deployment activity to report.

Nonresponsive

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